

HEAD TEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

March 2024

MRS SEARLE'S MESSAGE

It's been a busy few weeks at school including football tournaments, African drumming, school trips and maths challenges. I've particularly enjoyed having parents in to school to see what the children have been up to. The Wrens gave their families a wonderful display of their gymnastic abilities – well done to Mrs Higgins, Mrs Coe and Mrs Lopez for a great show. In Year 5, the children have been learning the recorder this term and treated us to a rousing performance of Hot Cross Buns among other recorder classics!

As the Easter break approaches, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a peaceful and restful break. I hope that we have some good weather which allows you all to get out and about and enjoy the many joys that spring brings. I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 15th April for the start of the Summer Term.

READING SUGGESTIONS

- ✓ EYFS/Key Stage 1 – There's a Tiger on the Train by Mareisa Dulak & Rebecca Cobb
- ✓ Lower Key Stage 2 – This Book Will Make You an Artist by Ruth Millington & Ellen Surrey
- ✓ Upper Key Stage 2 – Saving Neverland by Abi Elphinstone

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- Please remember that the school day starts at 8:40am for Reception & Key Stage 1 and at 8:50am for Key Stage 2
- No nut products in school please, nor fizzy drinks.
- Please continue to park considerately keeping the area safe for our families and neighbours, avoiding Dorian Drive where possible.

Thank you.

Have you seen our school facebook page?

Join the page to keep up to date with what's happening at school:

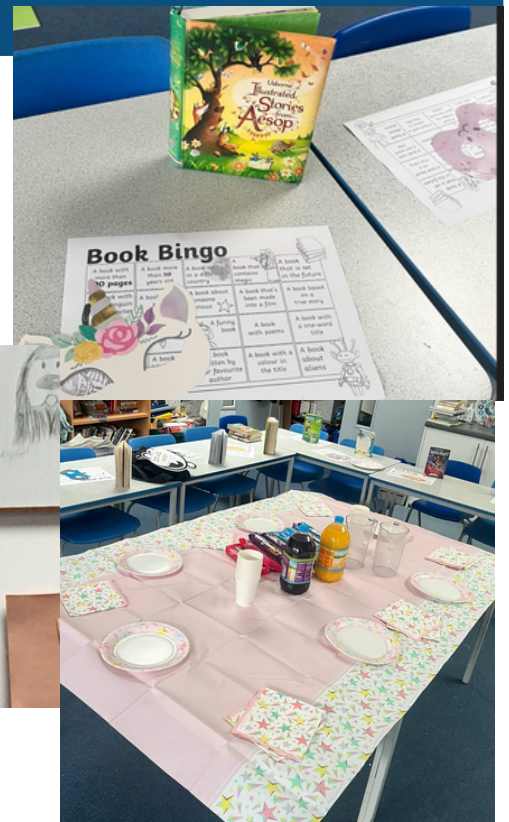
[Cheapside Facebook page](#)



World Book Day 2024

We had a wonderful time on World Book Day when the children really outdid themselves with their costumes (a big thank you to everyone for helping them look so fabulous). It was a real celebration of books and authors which we linked to National Science Week which started the following day. The children started the day with an assembly where we shared Oliver Jeffers' book *Here We Are*. Later in the day, the older children were paired up with younger children across the whole school to share a book with each other. In each class, the children then spent some time celebrating books with their class teacher including a special 'Masked Reader' prepared by the School Council. All in all, a fantastic day.

<https://www.cheapsideschool.org.uk/gallery-1/>



National Science Week

Year 2 were learning about observation being a key skill to develop if we wanted to be fantastic Scientists like David Attenborough. We talked about the different seasons and what we might see if we looked closely. They then used a mixture of watercolours and poster paint to create a beautiful picture of a tree in changing seasons.



St George's football festival

It was a beautiful, sunny, spring afternoon at St George's School for the Girls' Football festival where representatives from Years 5&6 were playing. Six schools were in attendance and after a skills masterclass there was a mini tournament in a round robin format.

The girls practised passing, dribbling, tackling and other football skills in the masterclass and performed really well. In the mini tournament the girls won two matches (both 2 nil), drew one match and unfortunately lost two matches, coming in third place.

I am so proud of this group, they played with energy, great skill and more importantly with a smile throughout. They also conducted themselves impeccably and represented Cheapside School with pride. Well done, girls.

Mrs Higgins



African Drumming

As part of Robins' topic on Africa, they had an African drumming workshop where they had the opportunity to play a selection of djembes experimenting with a variety of musical skills incorporating rhythms, repetition, call & response and canons. Kingfisher Class and Owl Class also had a chance to take part in this exciting experience.



Year 3 trip to Hampton Court Palace

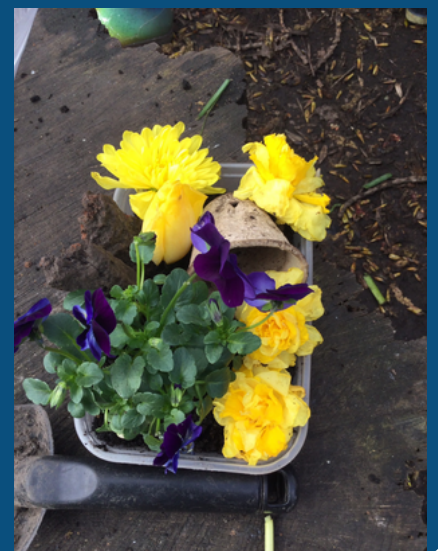
Year 3 hugely enjoyed their trip to the historic Hampton Court, once home to King Henry VIII. The children participated in a very lively and interesting workshop, walked through the kitchens where Tudor feasts were prepared and enjoyed looking at all the glorious stained-glass windows and tapestries throughout. A fantastic day!



Easter fun in



Wren class...





Thanks to our volunteers

Our thanks to Mr Heimann and Mr deKlerk for fixing the table tennis tables, the children will enjoy utilising these at break times!

CHEAPSIDE'S BIG TIDY UP WEEKEND

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Doves are organising a whole school tidy up on 20th & 21st April. We need volunteers to help make it happen and carry out tasks on the days. Please sign up and volunteer or donate!

Jobs

- ✓ Hedge Trimming / Strimming
- ✓ Fence Repairs
- ✓ Painting
- ✓ General Gardening Volunteers

Sign Up On Class WhatsApp Group!



Look at this....watch this space for more information... Huge thanks to the PTA for funding this project!

Parent Teacher Association

Are you interested in becoming more active within the PTA? Would you like more information on what the PTA do? Have ideas on fundraising events? Please contact the school office for more information.



Dates for the diary - NEW dates added



Wednesday 27th March	Easter Service at St Michael's Church @ 2:15pm
Thursday 28th March	Term ends from 2pm
29th March - 12th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 15th April	Term starts
Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st April	Clean up day at school...contact your class rep for details of how to sign up!
Monday 22nd April	Earth Day
Monday 6th May	May Bank Holiday
9th May	Rags 2 Riches - bring old clothes to school for donation in bin bags
13th - 18th May	SATs week
27th May - 31st May	Half Term Holiday
Thursday 13th June	Year 4 trip
17th - 20th June	Year 6 residential trip
18th - 23rd June	Royal Ascot week / Tea Tent
Monday 24th June	EYFS & KS1 Sports Day

Dates for the diary - NEW dates added

Tuesday 25th June	Reserve Sports day for EYFS & KS1
Thursday 27th June	School photos – class & group
Thursday 27th June	Hexagon concert – Singing Club
Monday 1st July	Move up morning
1st & 2nd July	Charters Transition Days for Year 6
3rd & 4th July	Ranelagh transition days for Year 6
Monday 8th July	KS2 Sports Day
Tuesday 9th July	Reserve KS2 Sports day
Saturday 13th July	Summer fair – for the whole family – please note change of date.
Thursday 18th July	School Play
Monday 22nd July	End of Year service @ St Michael's Church
Monday 22nd July	Reports out to parents & carers
Thursday 25th July	Leavers Assembly
Thursday 25th July	Whole school picnic – parents and carers invited
Thursday 25th July	Term ends from 2pm – Wrens, Robins & Doves Years 3 & 4 – 2.10pm Years 5 & 6 – 2.20pm



Be cyber aware...



Keeping children safe online

A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying



Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

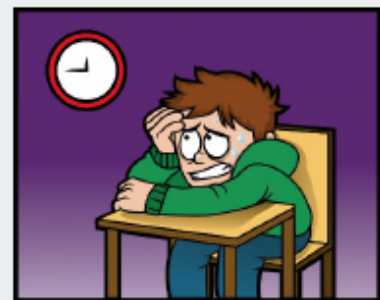
They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online



It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Skips Educational Email: info@skipssafety.com Tel: +44 121 227 1941

Developed in partnership with



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www.skipssafetynet.org



KIDS GO FREE

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

**SPRING FAMILY RACEDAY
SUNDAY 24TH MARCH**

Join us, join in and raise money for your school at our springtime extravaganza, featuring the finale of Ascot's Jumps season and countryside-themed attractions. There are animals to encounter, roaming entertainers to meet and arts and crafts skills to learn. But that's not all, follow our Furlong Friends trail, sit-back and watch a cinema screening, or maybe even get your face painted. And no wondrous day would be complete without a visit from The Gruffalo himself - have your camera at the ready for the opportunity to meet-and-greet.

Queen Anne Enclosure tickets £30 / *Accompanied under 18s admitted free

25% cashback donation to your school with code **CSSCHOOL**

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at Eton Museum of Antiquities

Sunday 24th March 2024 – 2.30-5pm
Tuesday 2nd April 2024 – 10am-12.30pm
Thursday 4th April – 10am-12.30pm
Sunday 7th April 2024 – 10am-12.30pm and 2.30-5pm
Sunday 14th April 2024 – 2.30-5pm

Free entry, no need to book

Eton Museum of Antiquities, South Meadow Lane, SL4 6EW

This Easter, discover amazing stories and objects from Ancient Egypt at Eton's Museum of Antiquities as part of the Totally Chaotic History Museum Trail, organised by Kids in Museums and Walker Books. The national trail for families celebrates the release of Totally Chaotic History Ancient Egypt Gets Unruly by bestselling historian and podcaster Greg Jenner (who you may know as a contributor to hit TV series, Horrible Histories) with expert interruptions by Dr Campbell Price, an Egyptologist from Manchester Museum and illustrations by Rikin Parekh.

Pick up a free activity sheet to join in and explore the intriguing objects that have survived from Ancient Egypt and the people who used and made them. Pretend to be a pharaoh and plan what you would take with you to the afterlife and learn more about the hundreds of Ancient Egyptian gods and goddesses. Complete the trail and get a free Totally Chaotic History sticker!

[Totally Chaotic Museum Trail at Eton Museum of Antiquities - Eton College Collections](#)

GEMS
Autism & ADHD Support Service
East Berkshire

Bear cubs

Ages 5 to 10

First and third Friday of the month - 4pm to 5pm

April 5th - Animal Fun Facts Quiz - Online
April 19th - Yoga and Mindfulness - Slough
May 3rd - Arts and Craft - Bracknell
May 17th - Mini Golf - Maidenhead
June 7th - Nature Hunt - Bracknell
June 21st - Story time - Create your own - Online

**Please note activities may be subject to change*

Registration:
Gems.4Health@nhs.net
0800 999 1342

Criteria:
Children with or likely to have ADHD and/or autism and living in East Berkshire

For more information: Call 0800 999 1342 or visit www.Gems4Health.co.uk

Easter Holiday Activities

Button Spring Trees
2nd April
11am-12pm or 2pm-3pm
Create a spring tree picture using paint and buttons
Cost: £4

Excellent Egg Cups
4th April
11am-12:30pm or 2pm-3:30pm
Decorate a wooden egg cup, egg and spoon
Cost: £4.50

Clay Day
9th April
10-10:45, 11:30-12:15, 2:00-2:45
See our Greek vases and make a clay creation
Cost: £2.50

Make a Board Game
11th April
11am-12:30pm or 2pm-3:30pm
Design your own Snakes and Ladders game
Cost: £4.50

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL
Activities for ages 6-12 (5 year olds with parent)
<https://chertsey-museum.arttickets.org.uk/>

www.chertseymuseum.org/events
Call 01932 565764 to book your place

The Olive Matthews collection

Runnymede



GEMS

Autism & ADHD Support Service
East Berkshire

Virtual Coffee Morning - Eating and food (AUDHD)

Friday 19th April 10 - 11:15am

**25 spaces
available!**

Join our online informal discussion to
cover the following areas:

- What works for your family at meal times?
- What are problematic areas around eating?
- How do you support your child with eating?

Please note this is not a workshop but
support group for parent/carers and
any medical advice should be sought
from your medical practitioner.



Sign Up Today!

Available for families who reside in or have a registered GP in East Berkshire
with a child who is Autistic/ADHD (suspected/pathway/diagnosed)

To book your place contact GEMS:



Gems.4Health@nhs.net



0800 999 1342



Childrens Church Choir

When: Every Friday 6pm-7pm
(starting 23rd Feb)

Where: St Michael's Church

Who: All children Year 4 and
above

Come and make new friends and find joy through
music. No weekly fee!

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Contact admin@ssaparish.org for further details



uSports **Easter 2024**
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Winnersh Bearwood Primary
Spencers Wood Lambs Lane Primary
Wokingham Bearwood Primary School

Reading Borough Council
Caversham Thameside Primary
Winnersh Bearwood Primary
Spencers Wood Lambs Lane Primary
Reading New Town Primary School
Whitley Geoffrey Fields Junior School

RBWM
Maidenhead St Luke's Primary School
Windsor Hilltop Primary School

Slough Borough Council
Slough Claycots Town Hall Campus

Bracknell Forest Council
Bracknell St Margaret Clitherow Catholic Primary School

Camp Starts at 9am
Drop Off From 8:30am

5-12 Year Olds to 3pm
£25 Per Day

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SAT 27 APRIL, 12:00

WATERSTONES WINDSOR

20-21 PEASCOB ST, SL4 1DU

**PECKISH? FEAR NOT!
FOOD & DRINKS AT
THE CORNER HOUSE, 13:00
22 SHEET ST, SL4 1BG**

RSVP to Philip, 07971113037 or kawadias@gmail.com

NEW YEAR NEW YOU

NEW **P**ARKING RESOLUTION

Safer Parking checklist

- ☐ **Get active**
Park further away from school and walk the last 5-15 minutes of the journey.
- ☐ **Be more considerate**
Don't block driveways or dropped kerbs even for a few minutes.
- ☐ **Always park away from junctions and corners**
Parking 10 meters away increases the visibility for pedestrians and drivers and reduces risks for everyone.
- ☐ **Keep ALL children safe**
Parking, stopping or dropping on SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR zigzags, even just for a minute, endangers other children. Keep it clear.
- ☐ **Keep yourself within the law**
Never park on a single yellow line, double yellow line or zig zag line during restricted times. This could lead to a fine.

Share the roads, Share the responsibility



SCHOOL — KEEP — CLEAR

School Keep Clear



**NO STOPPING
NO PARKING
NO WAITING**

Why do I have to leave it clear?

For safety - to ensure clear sight lines for both motorists and children, as well as for other road users, outside schools. They provide a clear area in which children and adults can cross more safely.

Am I okay just to pick up on the zig-zag markings if I am only there for a second?

Under no circumstance should you stop on zig-zag markings at any time, even just for a second. A stationary car can prevent a driver seeing a child crossing the road.

But it's raining, can I just drop off?

Don't be pressured by bad weather into parking on the Keep Clear zig-zags. Rule 238 of the Highway Code states:

"You **MUST NOT** wait or park, or stop to set down and pick up passengers, on school entrance markings when upright signs indicate a prohibition of stopping."

Better a wet coat than parking illegally which could result in a fine.

Keep the Zig-Zags clear- No excuses!






PAVEMENTS ARE FOR PEOPLE





Would you like it if **YOUR part of the road was blocked?**

Obstructing the pavement can cause serious problems for pedestrians, people with disabilities, older members of the community and those with small children and pushchairs.

Rule 242 of the Highway Code states; "You **MUST NOT** leave your vehicle in a dangerous position or causing an unnecessary obstruction of the road."

You could be fined and your vehicle removed.





Pupil Cycle Safety

Here are ways to make sure your bike is ready for night-time riding and important tips to keep safe and be seen this winter:

Be visible to other road users in the dark by having lights and reflectors:



- One front light which is white.
- One rear light which is red, and a red reflector fitted at the rear.
- Amber reflectors on each pedal
- White front reflectors and spoke reflectors will also help you to be seen.

It is **illegal** to cycle on a public road after dark **without these lights and reflectors.**

If your lights are easily removable, take them with you when you lock your bike. Don't forget to charge rechargeable lights when you get home. Having an extra set of lights can also be useful.



Cycle Safe



CHEAPSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



Academic Year 2023-2024

Get Active Sports are a leading provider for Childcare and Sports Education. You don't have to require childcare to send your child for an abundance of fun at Get Active Clubs! Come and Join us to learn new skills, make friends and take part in a wide range of activities this term!

WHAT TO EXPECT

Arts And Crafts	Talent Shows
Football	Mad Science
Dodgeball	Cookie Decoration
Athletics	Disco Party
Ping Pong	Board Games
Foot Golf	Mini Olympics
Team Games	Free Play
Tag Rugby	Music

TIMES & PRICES

Breakfast Club:

Breakfast: 7:30am - 8:40am
£7.00 includes breakfast

After School Club:

Short: 3:20pm - 4:20pm
£7.00 per day includes a snack

Medium: 4:20pm-6:00pm
£8.50 includes a large snack

Large: 3:20pm - 6:00pm
£13.95 includes a small and large snack

WACKY WEDNESDAYS

Join us on Wednesday for our special events! These can include Milkshake making, cupcake icing, and much more! Make sure you sign up to hear about our weekly events!

HOW TO BOOK

Simply head over to our website www.getactivesports.com and select your Childs school. Find this under parents tab. Select the activity you require and then click "Book now".

To book over the phone call one of our Office team on 01344 860868

Easter

Monday 8 to Thursday 11 April

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD PROGRAMME

For children with access
to free school meals

The programme is known
as FUEL in RBWM



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Windsor and Maidenhead

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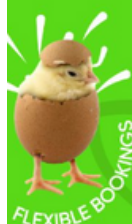
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